

Woods Family Records.

1887 & 1888.

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NEW YORK, _____ 188

Westfield, N.Y., Dec 8, 1887

To the Post Master, Southboro, Worcester Co. Mass.,
Dr Sir,

About 30 or 40 years ago
there were two Brothers of name of John Wood,
and Moses Wood, living in your town. John had
a family (as I understand) of several children
to wit - David, Samburg, Elliott & two daughters.
John & his sons David & Moses, came to this County
of Chautauque & resided here for many years -
I have been told that Samburg lived & died in your
town & that Elliott went to Fitchburg & died there.
Can you tell me, if Samburg, Elliott or either of
the daughters were married & left any heirs, and
if any of them are still living, there is a large
estate here that they would be heirs to. I think you
may find old inhabitants that will be able to tell
you. I am sorry to trouble you, but hope you will do
me the favor to get information & reply. I enclose \$1.00
to pay postage. I am Yr Svc

J. J. Constock.

Westfield, N.Y.

Edw. Whiting, wife Medford
STOUT, SPENCER & CO. Mass

Lambert Chelam W

Chas. A. T. Lyander, Sub-Library

Lambert

David

David in South

David Woods born to

John May 29 - 1760

David Nov 4 1785

Moses July 20 1790

John Woods born to

Lambert Nov 13 1808 Died in South

Clara Apr 13 1806

Elisha Oct 26 1810

David June 9 1814

Moses July 31 1817

David born to

Charles Henry Sept 5 - 1825

Harriet August 9 July 9. 1827

Harriet-Sanger Jun 26 1830

Elisha born daughter Lucy born

Wm. M. Stout, Frank G. Spencer, Wm. A. Stout

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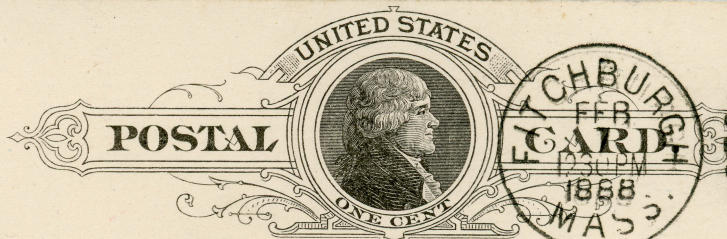
NEW YORK, _____ 188

Westfield, N.Y. Dec 20. 1887

Mr H. A. McMaster

My Sir. Yours of the 16th is received & I thank you very much for your kindness & for the very nice & plain news that you have sent me. I have written to Mr Charles Arthur Woods. Explaining the interest he has in the Estate of his Uncle David, who died here last Summer. a brother of David - Moses lives in Minnesota. he is an old man & his mind is not very sound. he claims that he is the only heir & is getting control of the money. he has bad advisers & I think they will get a good share of his money. Before they get through, the interest of the other heirs want attending to & I have asked Charles A. Woods to give a power of attorney - my wife was a Cousin of David Woods. but in no way interested in a pecuniary sense. but she want every one to have all that belongs to them. I trust you will get pay for your trouble.

I am for A. A. Bonserock.



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Henry A. Mc Master.
Town Clerk.
Southboro. Mass.

FITCHBURG.

FEB 7 1888

Dear Sir.

Postal note received O.K.
Accept thanks for promptness.

Yours Truly.

Walter A. Davis
City Clerk

I Charles Arthur Woods, a resident
of the town of Southborough, County
of Worcester, and State of Massachusetts,
do hereby depose and say, that I am
the son of Lambert Woods who
was found dead on Jan. 27. 1840,
according to the records of this town,
that I have one brother, Lambert
Lyonsander Woods now living in
Massachusetts ~~that~~ we are
the only children ^{of said Lambert Woods,} now living,
one of my sisters ^{^ Sarah Jane Southon} died in infancy,
the other died in ~~several~~ on —
leaving one child, a son, now
living in Edwin A. Daniels in
Somerville

Tested and sworn in before Apr.
24 - 1884.

TOWN CLERK, FRAMINGHAM.

Feb 6 1888

Henry A. McMarble Esq

Dear Sir

Enclosed

you will find a Copy from
the Records of Deaths, I
cannot say that she died
without issue, although I
do not find any record of
births, perhaps I might
if I knew her husband's
name.

No charge

Yours

Frank E. Hemenway
Town Clerk

Francis Ann Wores
died 1883. -

Edwin A Dammie
born Feb 11 - 1854.

Wm. J. & Son

Southton, Mass
Jan 14/88.



W. H. HARRIES,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.

*Review sent
mch. 23/87.*

Caledonia, Minn.,

Feb 14 1888

Henry A. McMaster
Southboro - Mass -

Dear Sir: Your letter, with affidavits &c.

received - We should have some proof
that Clarissa Woods (Morse) is the
identical person born to John

Relief his wife called Clara April 13th 1806
& that she had died without leaving any

issue. Confidently I wish
also to say to you that it would
probably be best for Charles
Wether to at once revoke the
power of atty given to A. A. Comstock
& give ~~the~~ A. A. to A. B. Ataway Esq.
an atty. at Law at Westfield N. Y.

I enclose for a letter written
to James A. Brown of this place last
November in relation to this man

Caledonia, Minn., 188

Courstox - They made us
considerable trouble at that
time - before we got hold of the
estate - Now I want you to
return this letter enclosed to me -
and no copy must be made - in this
I trust you, & if you cannot comply
with my request return all here
sent you, & will say nothing further
about the matter. I do not care
to involve Mr. Ataway in any controversy
without his consent. I live here in
Minn. & he is in N.Y. but I judge
Courstox from certain things he
attempted to do - & what is said of
him -

Yours Resp,
W H Harries

I have obtained the following
in relation to the Wicks family
On our town records, the names of their
children born to John Wicks

Wicks
Lambert born March 13, 1808
Clara " Apr 13 1806
Elliott " Dec 26 1810
David " Jan 9 1814
Moses " July 31, 1817

Clara I am told died in Foxborough Mass
without children.

Lambert ^{my father} died in Southboro. leaving
three children, two of them now living.
Chas. Arthur ^{Lambert} ^{Ellington} ^{Ellington}
one is in this town the other at Salt Lake

David lived and died here. leaving
three children. of them Harriet-Sanger
is in Los Angeles Cal.

Chas Henry was killed in the army
leaving a wife and two children
who are now living in Holliston, Mass.

Harriet Augusta married Orono Whiting
and lives in Medway, Mass.

Ellen died in Fitchburg Mass leaving
and an ^{only} daughter. Do not know anything further
in regard to her.

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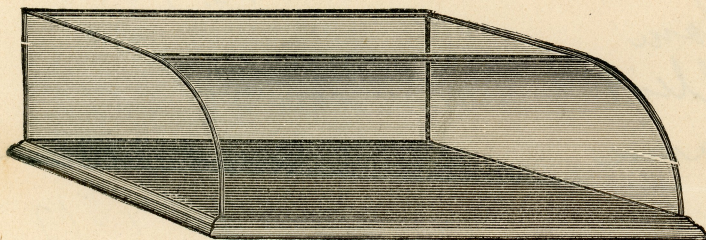
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At the regular retail prices, this assortment will bring you \$21.05, leaving a profit of \$6.05, and the Show Case free. The following is the assortment, which are all first-class milled goods.

6 dozen	Mikado, No. 160	. . . . .	Retails at 5 cents per Cake,	\$3.60
6	"	Crown Castile	. . . . .	" 5 " " 3.60
2	"	Assorted Glen Honey Line, four kinds,	" 25 " per box, 3 Cakes,	2.00
1	"	Owosso, No. 111	. . . . .	" 10 " per Cake, 1.20
3	"	Flake White, No. 161	. . . . .	" 10 " " 3.60
1	"	Shaving, No. 143	. . . . .	" 10 " " 1.20
$\frac{1}{2}$	"	Turtle Oil, No. 84	. . . . .	" 15 " " .90
1	"	Jersey Lily, No. 102	. . . . .	" 15 " " 1.80
$\frac{1}{4}$	"	Manilla, No. 115	. . . . .	" 15 " " .45
$\frac{1}{4}$	"	Tar Oil and Glycerine, No. 147	. . . . .	" 20 " " .60
$\frac{1}{4}$	"	Commonwealth, No. 101	" 20 " " .60
$\frac{1}{4}$	"	Caledonia, No. 139	" 25 " " .75
$\frac{1}{4}$	"	Juvenile, No. 114	" 25 " " .75

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Mark A. Torrey & Co.,

6 INDIA STREET, BOSTON,

AND

107 READE STREET, NEW YORK.



City of Fitchburg,
Massachusetts.

City Clerk's Office, Feb. 3. ^d 1888

Henry A. M^cMaster.
Town Clerk.

Southboro. Mass.

Dear Sir.

Ans
I enclose a certified copy of the death of Elliott Wood, sworn to before Harrison Bailey, Notary Public. I also enclose the address of his only living child. - Mrs. Lucy A. B. Jeffery. The Notary Public charge for giving me the oath is \$1.00 - I make no charge of my own work. -

Trusting this will be satisfactory
I remain

Yours Fraternally,
Walter A. Davis,
City Clerk.

Ans. Feb. 4-88

Expense 1.05

Ans. Jan 28/88.
Births John Woods children
" Lambert "
Deaths " "

THE BAPTIST MOUNTAINEER,

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A FAMILY RELIGIOUS NEWSPAPER.

THE DENOMINATIONAL ORGAN FOR UTAH, IDAHO, AND MONTANA.

MISSOULA, MONTANA, Jan. 21st 1888

Mr. McMaster,

Dear Sir:—

Please send me, over your own hand and official seal, a certified copy of the family records of my father, the late Lambert Woods, from the Southboro, Town records, to use for purposes of legal identification, as son and heir of the said Woods. I would like the copy to include my grand father's as well as my father's family.

I thank you for your prompt reply to my letter of inquiry of the 24th Ult. I have since traced out my family lines more thoroughly than before and concerning which I confess a culpable ignorance.

I was aware that "Woods" was our patronymic but mother called her name Wood to easily distinguish us from the Woods of another line — not relatives — who resided in the South part of the town and I have always and thoroughly repudiated the "s" on our name until now.

Please send copy and charges for the same at your earliest convenience and greatly oblige
Very truly yours L. L. Woods.

dated Apr. 5. 1830.
Lambert Woods and Argus Hunt both of Southborough
intended their friends of marriage March 10th 1830

Sub. 9/88.

Ans.

Jan 19

1888

Henry A Mc Master

Dear Sir:

- Enclosed I send you
P. Note for 4.95 use this in getting
affidavits in the matter of the estate
of David Woods deceased.
Moses Woods, brother of the deceased
resides here in this County, of Houghton Minn
1st I want your own affidavit
showing what the records of your
town shows as to the children born
to John Woods.
2^d The affidavit of some one
showing that Clara died in Framingham
Mass. & that she died without issue
if that is the fact
3^d Charles A Wood should
make proof of his father's Lambert's
death & give names & residence
of the children of Lambert.
He is interested in that, as the

Children of Lambert would be entitled
to the share of David's estate, that
their father would be if living.
Get affidavit of some one
as to Elliott's death, and as to
whether he left any issue living.
David died unmarried —
Moses is the only brother now
living. When you need some
more money let me know.
When you have got these affidavits
send them to me for filing in
Surrogate Court in Chautauque Co.
N.Y. Attend to these matters as
soon as practicable.
Yours truly,
W. H. Harries

blom munn

Morse, in

RECEIVED
JAN 10 1880
NEW YORK

State of Massachusetts - County of Worcester - Town of Southborough.

- 1st Born to Lambert Wood and Abigail his wife a daughter
named Frances Ann Augusta Wood on Marchth 10 .. 1831
- 2^d Born to Lambert Wood and Abigail his wife a daughter
named Sarah Jane Wood on Julyth 31 1834.
- 3^d Born to Lambert Woods and Abigail his wife a son
named Charles Arthur Woods on Decemberth 2 day 1835
- 4th Born to the M^{rs} Abigail Wood wife of Lambert Wood deceased
a son named Lambert Lyander Wood June 20 1840.

I certify that the above is a true copy
from the records of the Town of Southborough
aforesaid

Henry A. McMaster
Town Clerk

Southborough, Jan. 16th 1888.

I Henry A. McMaster above named, depose and
say that I hold the office of Town Clerk, in the
Town, County and State aforesaid, and that the above
is a true copy from the records of said town.
Henry A. McMaster.

Jan 2 1888

Henry A Mc Masters
Town Clerk of the
Town of Southboro Mass.
Dear Sir:

Can you get me the affidavit
of one of your old citizens showing where
became of Clara, Elliott & Soubert
Woods, who were children of John Woods.
I will send your fee. where advised
of the amount -
Yours Respectfully
W H Harries

Mrs. John 6/88

Fitchburg, Mass, Dec. 29, 1887.

To the ^{12/28/87} Town Clerk of Southboro;

Dear Sir;

If you have a record of the family of John Wood of Southboro, about the year 1811, I would like an attested copy of the birth of all of his children. I want this to use in the state of New York and shall want the names & dates of birth of his several children certified & attested by you as a copy of the record of the town of Southboro. Upon receipt of the same ^{with your fees} I will forward to you a postal order ^{enclosed} for your fees.

Respectfully Yours,

H. H. Merriam,
Atty.

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MISSOULA, MONTANA, Dec. 24th 1887

Mr. McMaster

Dear Sir: I am just in receipt of a letter from my brother's wife - Mrs. Chas. A. Wood, of Payville - concerning Mr. Comstock's communication to you, about the Southbros' relatives of Moses Wood, of Westfield N.Y.

I have written Mr. Comstock all I know of the four persons, which I understand, from sister's letter, he inquired about, viz David, Elliot, Clarissa and Lambert Wood.

I have also asked him to give me all the essential facts in his possession and offered to employ responsible, legal counsel, there should the circumstances warrant it or require identification of the descendants of the parties above named. I am in a way to communicate with old and well known residents of Westfield should circumstances require it or when I have sufficient data for an intelligent inquiry. Sister's letter contained but few facts - nothing definite - probably all she could glean but enough to awaken my interest. I therefore write to inquire of you what you know concerning, the deceased, his heirs,

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his property, etc.?

Of the four above named Woods, David Wood, was, as I understand it, my father's uncle; he did long before the War; his widow, afterwards Mrs. Mallard died years ago; his oldest son (Charles) died in the War and his widow was living in Framingham, the last I knew of her, years ago. David's youngest son (Hamlet) was living with his wife and family in Southboro' the last I knew of him, which, I believe, was before the War.

Elliot Wood was my father's brother who lived many years in Fitchburg, Mass. and died there, during the War. He had one child, a daughter, (Lucy A.) who married, became a widow, married again to a man who then went by the name of Jeffries, when I knew her, last, she was living with her family and widowed mother in Boston. The widowed mother afterwards died and I have lost track of the family for years.

Clarissa Wood was our "Aunt Clara" who lived single for many years, in Ashland, then married and lived with a Mr. Townsend in the same town, survived him and married a man whose name I'm now forgotten. They lived in Framingham, she sur-

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lived him and died in Framingham, a few years since. She left no children.

Lambert Wood was my father who died by accident forty seven years ago, some four months before my birth. My mother died his widow in 79 and in our native town of Southboro'. Father left three children, (Francis A.) my sister, who died in Boston a few years since and who left one child, a son, now living in Somerville Mass.; my brother Arthur (C.A.), whom you know, and myself.

I give this information in case you should be called for any of the family's genealogy, from the Town Records and for correction or further information should it be necessary concerning David Wood's family.

I remember of mother's often speaking, in our childhood days, of an uncle - a brother of father's I think - who went to Lake Erie and who had never been heard from or not for many years. I was of the impression that he left Southboro before I was born, that his name was Moses and that he was a somewhat eccentric man. My mother also had a brother, Charles Hunt, I think, who went West, I believe, before my birth, and had never

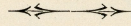
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been heard from and it was a frequent remark, in my childhood days, that we might some time hear from our western relatives.

I left Southboro' when a lad and have but a meager family record at best.

I understand that brother interviewed Deacon Peter Fay. I am surprised and gratified to learn that he is yet alive, for he was advanced in life, in my boyhood days, but a well remembered and prominent citizen of the town. A niece of his, a Mrs. Minor, who was a frequent member of my congregation, when I was a pastor in Boston, surprised me years ago, in telling me of her hale and vigorous uncle. He is doubtless far better posted in my Southboro' ancestry than I am.

Sister also spoke of some parties from western New York - so I understand it - who recently searched the Southboro' Town records, claiming to be heirs of Moses Wood. can you inform me concerning them and their purpose?

There is a matter that disturbs me a little, in this connection, should our identity ever become

(over)

a matter of litigation, and that is an inaccurate date of father's death, on his monument, in the Southboro' cemetery. After mother's death and just before I came to the far West I erected a monument for our parents and, by some blunder, the date of father's death was wrong, which would also affect the date of my birth. I had neither the time nor money to attend to it then and so it has remained neglected till the present. I give these facts in case there might be any question of identity arising in the future. I fear I have trespassed on your time but hoping to hear from you soon,

I am,

Yours very truly,
Lambert L. Wood.

Given on 9 Jan + Decree from Mar 4 - 1785